GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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SELF RELIANCE IN SUGAR PRODUCTION
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether India is self-reliant in sugar production;

(b) if so, the details of demand and supply of sugar during the last three years;

(c) whether the installed capacity with the sugar mills in the country is more than the requirement;

(d) whether there is adequate coordination between the growers and sugar factories; and

(e) if not, the remedial steps taken in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (S SREENIVASA PRASAD)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): Year-wise details are as follows :

Figures in lakh tonnes

Sugar seasons	1999-2000	2000-2001	2001-2002
Total availability	248.71	278.50	291.88
consumption in the country	159.77	162.45	173.04

(c): Yes, Sir.

(d): Yes, Sir.

(e): Does not arise.